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Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property, and public hearing on the Petition and it appearing that strict compliance with the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations would/would not result in practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioner(s) and the granting of the variance(s) requested will/will not adversely affect the health, safety, and general welfare of the community, the variance(s) should /should not be granted.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_, that the herein Petition for Variance(s) to permit

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County,

this  $\mathcal{A}g^{th}$  day of February, 1984, that the Petition for Variance to permit

a rear yard setback of 29 feet instead of the required 40 feet be and is hereby

1. The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and

be granted same upon receipt of this Order: however. Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at

this time is at their own risk until such time as the

applicable appellate process from this Order has ex-

pired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is re-

versed, the Petitioners would be required to return,

and be responsible for returning, said property to its

GRANTED, from and after the date of this Order, subject to the following:

original condition.

TO Nicholas Commodari, Zoning Dapartment Date December 15, 1983 FROM C. E. Burnham, Chief Plans Review CS.B

SUBJECT Zoning Advisory Committee

Meeting of December 13, 1983

| <br>Item #131          | See Comments |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Item #132              | See Comments |
| Item #133              | See Comments |
| Item #134              | See Comments |
| Item #135              | No Comment   |
| Item #136              | See Comments |
| Item #137              | No Comments  |
| Item #138              | See Comments |
| I <sub>t</sub> em #139 | See Comments |
| Item #140              | No Comment   |
| Item(#11,1)            | No Comment   |
| T+em #1),2             | See Comments |

Item #89 Revised

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Robert Y. Dubel, Superintendent

Date: 1/5/84

Towsca, Maryland - 21204

Mr. Arnold Jablon Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office Building 1111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Proposed Zoning:

Z.A.C. Meeting of: December 13, 1983
Property Owner:
Location: Present Zoning:

District: No. Acres:

Dear Mr. Jablon:

The above items have no bearing on student population.

Department of Planning

BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

IN RE: PETITION ZONING VARIANCE and St. Francis Roads (1216 -Meredith's Ford Road) - 9th Election District

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Case No. 84-208-A

Charles H. Barrows, et ux, Petitioners \*

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioners herein request a variance to permit a rear yard setback of 29 feet instead of the required 40 feet. The purpose of their request is to construct an enclosed structure to house a hot tub, as more fully described on Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

The Petitioners appeared and testified. Their contractor, Richard Tice, also appeared and testified. There were no Protestants.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, zoned D.R.2, is improved with an existing 35'  $\times$  89' dwelling. The Petitioners propose to enclose an area to house a hot tub they purchased to alleviate certain medical problems, i.e., arthritis and back problems. After purchasing the hot tub, the Petitioners constructed a concrete slab behind their home and adjacent to the sliding glass doors that provide egress from the living room to the rear yard. However, they soon dearned that hot water and cold air are fit only for penguins. They now allow wear-round enjoyment as well as continuous therapy. The enclosure cannot be bilt t elsewhere on the subject property. The property is a corner lot with Eduse facing Meredith's Ford Road. One side yard faces St. Francis Road,

the enclosure would obstruct traffic in both directions if it were located The other side yard is only 18-feet wide. In addition, access doors fra the living room to the rear already exist.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Re: Petition for Variance

Case No. 84-208-A

PLACE: Room 106, County Office Building, 111 West Chesapeake

The Petitioners seek relief from Section 1802.3.B (205.4), pursuant to Section 307, of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR).

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulation to the petitioner and his property would cause practical difficulty. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

- 1. whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- 2. whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and
- 3. whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance were granted, such use as proposed would not be contrary to the spirit of the BCZR and would not result in substantial detriment to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that a practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship would result if the variance were not granted. It has been established that the requirehe Petitioners seek relief from here would unduly restrict the use of the and the to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addihe variance requested will not be detrimental to the public health, safeand general welfare.

rsuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing his Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variance requested

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 494-3353

ARNOLD JABLON ZONING COMMISSIONER

February 29, 1984

Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Barrows 1216 Meregith's Ford Road Towson, Maryland 2120/

> IN RE: Petition Zoning Variance SW/corner of Meredith's Ford and St. Francis Roads (1216 Meredith's Ford Road) - 9th Election District Charles H. Barrows, et ux, Petitioners Case No. 84-208-A

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Barrows:

I have this date passed my Order in the above-referenced matter in accordance with the attached.

Attachments cc: People's Counsel ARNOLD JABLON Zoning Commissioner

January 🐞 1984

SW/corner Meredith's Ford and St. Francis

Charles H. Barrows, et ux - Petitioners

Roads (1216 Meredith's Ford Road)

of Baltimore County No. 122996

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT

Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Barrows

TIME: 10:15 A.M.

DATE: Monday, February 27, 1984

Avenue, Towson, Maryland

1216 Meredith's Ford Road

Towson, Maryland 21204

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